

EXHIBIT 1

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

BRENDA ZECK,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ISOMEDIX OPERATIONS, INC., ET AL.,

Defendants.

No.

Hon.

JOINDER AND CONSENT TO REMOVAL

Without waiving any of its defenses or other rights, Defendant **Cosmed Group, Inc.** hereby joins in and consents to the removal of *Brenda Zeck v. Isomedix Operations, Inc., et al.*, No. 2023L012291, from the **Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois** to this Court.

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Respectfully submitted,

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